Image: Oppidum fortifications reconstructed at Mont Vully, Switzerland. by Rob Hedge

The Prehistoric Society Europa Conference 2024

Inhabiting temperate Europe in the 4th–1st millennia BC

15 June 2024

Augustine United Church, Edinburgh and online

A conference to honour the achievements of Prof. Ian Ralston, Emeritus Abercromby Professor of Archaeology (University of Edinburgh), in the field of European Prehistory.

THIS WILL BE A HYBRID CONFERENCE

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The Prehistoric Society

Venue information

The conference will be held at Augustine United Church.
The address is 41 George IV Bridge, Edinburgh EH1 1EL. It is located in the centre of Edinburgh and is well-served by public transport, approx. 10 minutes walk from Edinburgh Waverley Rail Station and on local bus routes. There is cycle parking outside the church. There is no on-site car park, though there are a number of public car parks within a 15-minute walk. The venue has step-free access. An accessibility statement can be found at: https://www.augustine.org.uk/about-us/accessibility/

Saturday 15 June

08:30–08:55 **Registration**

09:00–09:05 Welcome and introduction: Prof. Linda Hurcombe

09:05–09:35 Prof. Alison Sheridan, National Museum of Scotland: *Burning down the house: exploring the phenomenon of Early Neolithic 'halls' and their destruction*

09:35–09:50 Dr Rodrigo Paulos-Bravo, Complutense University of Madrid: *The evolution of the landscape in northwestern societies of Iberia between the 3rd and 1st millennium BC. The example of the Terra de Lemos (Lugo, Galicia).*

09:50–10:20 Dr Rachel Pope and Dr Lorrae Campbell, University of Liverpool: *Understanding Penycloddiau: Wales and the Bronze Age west*

10:20–10:30 **Questions and discussion**

10:30–10:45 **Tea & coffee break**

10:45–11:15 Prof. Pierre-Yves Milcent, Université de Toulouse Jean Jaurès: *Revisiting urban protohistory in Western temperate Europe: the major agglomerations of the Late Bronze Age in central France*

11:15–11:30 Dr Fernando Rodríguez del Cueto, University of Oviedo: *Iron Age activities outside a hillfort of the Cantabrian Mountains: the new archaeological records discovered in the plain of Campa Torres (Asturias, Spain).*

11:30–11:45 Theodore Reeves, University of Birmingham: *Marsh-forts: a re-introduction*

11:45–12:15 Dr Katharina Becker, University College Cork and Prof. Derek Hamilton: *Hillforts, metalworkers and the dead. Later prehistoric Rathgall in its context - problems and new perspectives.*

12:15–12:25 **Questions and discussion**

12:30–13:30	**Lunch (provided)**
13:30–14:00	Prof. Manuel Fernández-Götz, University of Edinburgh: *Violence in the settlement record of the European Iron Age*
14:00–14:15	Dr Clara Filet, Université Bordeaux-Montaigne: *How mobility shaped urban development: exchange networks and the emergence of agglomerations in Late Iron Age Europe (IIIrd-I st c. BCE)*
14:15–14:45	Prof. Sophie Krausz, Université Paris 1 - Panthéon-Sorbonne: *War and militarisation in the Celtic world (500-50 BCE)*
14:45–14:55	**Questions and discussion**
14:55–15:15	**Tea & coffee break**
15:15–15:30	Dr Hervé Duval-Gatignol, Société Jersiaise: *Inhabiting by the Sea: Armorica and the western English Channel in the Late Iron Age*
15:30–16:00	Prof. Anthony Lefort, Institut National de Recherches Archéologiques Préventives: *Cross-Channel connections in the Late Iron Age from a continental perspective*
16:00–16:10	**Questions and discussion**
16:10–16:15	Summary and closing: Prof. Linda Hurcombe
16:15-16:30	**Comfort break**
16:30–17:15	Prehistoric Society AGM and presentation of the Baguley Award
17:15–18:00	**Europa lecture: Prof. Ian Ralston**
18:00–19:00	Evening wine reception at the Augustine United Church

Sunday 16 June

Morning	(Timing to be confirmed) Field trip to the National Museum of Scotland with tour by Dr Matt Knight and Dr Fraser Hunter.

The 2024 Europa Lecture

Professor Ian Ralston

Emeritus Abercromby Professor of Archaeology, University of Edinburgh

Tales of the Unexpected - from the Moray Firth to central France

Image: Ian Ralston, illustration by Rob Hedge

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The quickest way to book your tickets is online, please go to:
https://www.prehistoricsociety.org/events/2024-06-15

Paper booking form

Please enter quantity of tickets for the below (tea/coffee, lunch, and wine reception included)

Attendance online:

- ☐ Members (£35)
- ☐ Non-members (£40)
- ☐ Student*/unwaged (£25)
  *Proof of status required

Attendance in-person:

- ☐ Members (£70)
- ☐ Non-members (£80)
- ☐ Student*/unwaged (£50)
  *Proof of status required
- ☐ Sunday fieldtrip (no extra charge)

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Further details

Further details will be provided closer to the date on the Prehistoric Society website:
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If you do not have access to the internet, contact Dr Tessa Machling at the address below. Thanks are due to the National Museum of Scotland for their contribution to the conference. Conference bookings will not be confirmed until payment has been received. We regret that no refunds can be given. We accept payment online or by cheque payable to 'The Prehistoric Society', in Pounds, Euros or US Dollars. Please send the completed form and payment, no later than 31 May 2024 to Dr Tessa Machling, Prehistoric Society, c/o Institute of Archaeology, 31-34 Gordon Sq, London WC1H 0PY (admin@prehistoricsociety.org).

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